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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

The first four references listed on the PTO-1449 are referred to in the specification in support of the equations presented therein. In particular, reference 1 (Lauster) is referred to in support of the equation at paragraphs 45, 46 of the specification as filed for temperature increase associated with triangular heat loading; reference 2 (Kruger) is referred to in support of the equation at paragraphs 53, 54 of the specification as filed for temperature increase associated with rectangular heat loading; reference 1 and reference 3 (Tataiah) are referred at paragraph 62 of the specification as filed in connection with determining parameter values for F_0 less than 0.5; and reference 4 (Young) is referred to in support of the equation at paragraphs 109, 110 of the specification as filed for temperature-induced compressive strain.

References 5 and 6, on the other hand, were relied upon in the (non-entered) May 24, 2007 Response to the December 19, 2006 Office Action.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination. Therefore, no certification or fee is believed to be required.

Respectfully Submitted,

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